

## Press Release Template

This template can be customized to highlight your asthma awareness event. Learn specific information about the number of children with asthma in your state from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Web site at <a href="www.cdc.gov">www.cdc.gov</a>. Include this information in your press release.

## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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## [YOUR COMMUNITY] CELEBRATES ASTHMA AWARENESS MONTH

[PLACE- Release DATE] - In the United States alone, 6.2 million children suffer from asthma, which accounts for one third of all pediatric emergency room visits. In addition, asthma is the fourth most common reason for pediatric physician office visits, and is one of the leading causes of school absenteeism [Insert your state specific asthma statistics].

In response to these alarming statistics, and in an effort to raise public awareness of the risks faced everyday by 20 million Americans living with asthma, [YOUR ORGANIZATION] is joining the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to participate in Asthma Awareness Month and World Asthma Day. [YOUR ORGANIZATION] is holding a [NAME OF EVENT] on [DATE] at [LOCATION] in [CITY].

All across the world, events are being held in May as part of Asthma Awareness Month. Join [YOUR ORGANIZATION] and EPA at events nationwide during May. Each event will raise awareness about indoor and outdoor pollutants that trigger asthma and ways to prevent children's athma episodes.

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For more information on EPA's Asthma Program and Asthma Awareness Month, log on to <a href="https://www.epa.gov/asthma">www.epa.gov/asthma</a> and [YOUR ORGANIZATION'S WEB SITE].